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SUBJECT: SECOND SESSION, INTERNATIONAL COORDINATING COUNCIL FOR
MAN AND THE BIOSPHERE (MAB), APRIL 10-19, 1973

1. AFTER OFFICIAL OPENING OF SESSION, THE COUNCIL ELECTED CHAIR-
MAN AND FOUR VICE CHAIRMEN FOR PERIOD 1973-74, ALL BY ACCLAMATION.
THESE FIVE OFFICERS, WHO CONSTITUTE BUREAU OF COUNCIL, ARE:

CHAIRMAN: PROF. F. BOURLIERE (FRANCE)

VICE CHAIRMEN: DR. D. KING (USA), DR. V. SOKOLOV (USSR),

PROF. C. I. O. OLANIYAN (NIGERIA), DR. V. SANCHEZ (CHILE).

THUS FRANCE, US AND USSR WERE REELECTED, AND CHILE AND NIGERIA
REPLACE INDIA AND EGYPT ON COUNCIL.

2. PROF. R. O. SLATYER (AUSTRALIA) LOBBIED STRONGLY, BUT UNSUCCESS-
FULLY FOR VICE CHAIRMANSHIP. IN VIEW OF AUSTRALIA' S GREAT
INTEREST IN MAB, AND PARTIALLY AS RESULT OF LOBBYING EFFORT,
COUNCIL ELECTED SLATYER AS RAPPORTEUR FOR BUREAU.

3. UNESCO SECRETARIAT REPORTS THAT LATIN AMERICANS WANTED TO
SEE US ELECTED CHAIRMAN BECAUSE OF HEAVY US INVOLVEMENT IN MAB
RELATED RESEARCH OF INTEREST TO LATIN AMERICA. IN VIEW US POSITION
THAT US CHAIRMANSHIP PREMATURE, USDEL ASKED SECRETARIAT TO PASS
WORD THAT US DID NOT WANT CHAIRMANSHIP AT THIS TIME. IRWIN
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